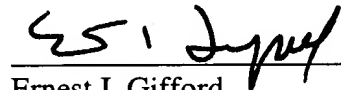


REMARKS

With this amendment claim 18 has been canceled and claims 10, 11, 13, 14 and 20 have been amended to correct minor typographical errors. The application is now in condition for allowance with claims 10-16, 20 and 22.

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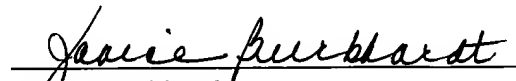
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